

REMARKS

Claims 1-9 have been cancelled, without prejudice. Claims 10-18 have been added and are pending.

The specification has been amended to include a cross-reference to the parent application.

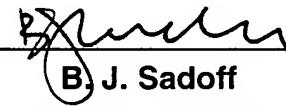
Return of an initialed copy of the attached Form PTO/SB/08a is requested.

Acknowledgement of receipt of the priority document from the IB is requested.

Acceptance of the attached formal drawings is requested.

The attached paper and computer readable copies of the Sequence Listing are the same. No new matter has been added.

An early and favorable Action on the merits of the claimed invention is requested.

Respectfully submitted,
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